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SPREADING INFORMATION

USWICK AND LAKEVILLE.
The little son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Harloe, of Ledgedale, has pneumonia. We are pleased to learn that he is improving. Later—Since the above was put into type we are informed that he died and the funeral was held on Wednesday, Nov. 24th.

Mr. Andrew Kostoch, of Scranton, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. William Mordwanac, of Uswick, for the past week, returned to Scranton on Saturday last; he is recovering very nicely from pneumonia.

Mr. L. M. Bittner of Audell, has been very ill and we are pleased to learn that he is able to be out again.

Miss Violet I. Crane, of Scranton, will visit her mother, Mrs. Lucy E. Crane, at Uswick, on Wednesday, and spend Thanksgiving day and return to Scranton in the evening.

W. B. Bartleson, who has been visiting Lakeville friends for the past week, returned home on Sunday morning and went to Hawley on Monday.

The Lakeville charge have secured a minister. Rev. Mr. Perkiss of Plymouth, will move into the parsonage and preach on the charge until conference. Rev. Perkiss assisted District Superintendent Fuller in conducting services here on Sunday last.

Peter Osborne and daughter, Miss Lena, also Mr. J. W. Bidwell of Arlington, attended the quarterly meeting at this place on Sunday.

Arthur Seaman and Lewis Rowland of Hawley, spent Tuesday hunting at Frank Haney's, and report good success.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Woodward of Adella, spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Stephens, at Lakeville.

Mrs. A. Goble and granddaughter, Virginia, went to Bohemia visiting relatives on Friday and returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haney and son, Aaron, visited Mr. and Mrs. George Hazelton at Arlington on Sunday.

We regret to learn that Mr. Oscar Dunning, of Hawley, has been very ill recently. He was a neighbor of ours at Uswick for many years.

Mr. Spielvogel had a "Butcher's Celebration" on Sunday. This feast is an old German custom. A host of his German friends were present.

Messrs. L. G. Talman, S. E. Miller and J. G. Branning, of Scranton, arrived at John Main's home on Thursday morning for three days' hunting. They returned home Saturday evening having had good success.

Charles B. Glosenger, of Uswick, went to Carbondale, on Monday to attend the reunion of his children and grand-children at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Rehup.

STERLING.

Rev. J. B. Cody, of Bethany, a Presbyterian minister, will exchange pulpits with Rev. Webster next Sunday, the 28th. Rev. Cody will also conduct a Sunday school convention here on the 14th of December.

F. M. Barnes, Thomas Neville, R. B. Simons, and R. R. Starnes took in the Directors' meeting at Honesdale and was well pleased with it.

Mr. James Neville has been sick so long that he is quite helpless and Joseph Ferguson is helping care for him.

Last Saturday evening the Odd Fellows treated themselves to an oyster supper and they all appeared to enjoy the occasion.

Dr. R. A. Smith spent a week hunting in Pike county and "Hut" Williams and Eben Gilpin are off this week.

For a year past Granville Webster has had a good government position at Watertown, Mass., but is now home on a vacation and expects soon to go to Pittsburg. Mr. Webster is one of our most enterprising young men.

Last week the Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. C. E. Webster for dinner and as the event was the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding the Aid made Mrs. Webster a present.

Thanksgiving is over and there was many happy hearts in this place on that day. All of us can thank Him for something.

FAITH IN MRS. STETSON.

Expressed by the Church Trustees in Accepting Her Resignation.

New York, Nov. 25.—The trustees of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, have accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson as a member of the board in a resolution in which they say:

In her official relations Mrs. Stetson has given us a service for nearly a quarter of a century in the effort to further the course of Christian Science. So far as this branch church is concerned she has been beyond all comparison the foremost contributor to the labors required, for the results accomplished and the cardinal precept of her teaching and example have always been, as they are now, that of unwavering loyalty to your beloved leader, Mary Baker Eddy, and to her teaching.

In both material and spiritual achievement she has left the evidences of her untiring devotion in the structure which houses this congregation, in the large body of adherents which assemble here and above all in the spiritual growth in the membership of this church.

But for the inspiration of her faith and the stimulation of her high and earnest purpose none of these results would have been attained in any such measure.

JOHN BIGELOW 92 TODAY.

Statesman and Author as Young and Active as Forty Years Ago.

New York, Nov. 25.—"Young John Bigelow" was ninety-two years young today, and at his beautiful home in Gramercy park his children and grandchildren celebrated his birthday with real thanksgiving.

The youth of ninety-three autumns sat in his big easy chair and told the others what it means to live nearly a century and to see the stagecoach give way to the airship and the pony post to the wireless telegraph.

"At six years of age," he said, "I did just about as you did at that age—ate too much. There was pumpkin pie,



JOHN BIGELOW.

apple pie, mince pie, doughnuts and roast turkey and all the necessary adjuncts in the way of vegetables."

When asked if it was difficult then to travel Mr. Bigelow said:

"Difficult? We didn't think so, but it was in comparison with modern conveniences. We didn't fly then, and we didn't ride on railroads. It took two days to go from New York to Albany by stagecoach and about as many by steamboat."

Mr. Bigelow believes in an old man being active to the end. Within the last five years he has published eight volumes of terse, virile prose, treating of subjects alive in the public interest and completing the greatest literary work of his life, "The Literary Memorials of Samuel J. Tilden," and his autobiography.

But with these tremendous tasks accomplished there is no abatement in energy. He is cheerful, hale and jovial as ever.

STORM POUNDS JERSEY COAST.

Fear That Atlantic City Pier Heads May Be Carried Away.

Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 25.—A wild northeast gale, accompanied by snow and rain, has swept the New Jersey coast and endangered shipping.

The storm backed up water in the bays and inlets until the meadow side of this city was flooded. A house was blown down, and electric wires were tangled up, starting several small fires. The waves smashed a number of boats in the inlet, and close watch is being kept on the sea ends of big piers that may be washed away.

The government coast guards are keeping a close watch for wrecks.

PHILIPPINE INAUGURAL BALL.

Brilliant Gathering at Manila in Which Natives Take Prominent Part.

Manila, Nov. 25.—The inauguration of W. Cameron Forbes as governor general of the Philippines was followed by a grand inaugural ball at the Malacan palace. The palace was thronged with 3,000 people, and there was an unusually large number of Filipinos present.

The ball recalled the splendid entertainments of President Taft when he was governor general of the islands.

The newspapers and merchants generally, especially the Europeans, applauded the straightforward inaugural address of Governor Forbes.

The inauguration ceremony took place in the marble hall of the Ayuntamiento, the present chamber of the assembly.

Americans at Paris Celebrate.

Paris, Nov. 25.—The Thanksgiving banquet of the American club here was exceptionally brilliant. Two hundred members and guests gathered at the Hotel Palais d'Orsay, and after the dinner, at which American turkey and pumpkin pie were the features, there were speeches. Among the guests were Georges Lecomte, Professor Bliss Perry of Harvard, Baron d'Estournelles de Constant and Frank Mason, the American consul general.

Turkey and Pie at White House.

Washington, Nov. 25.—President Taft attended the pan-American Thanksgiving service at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church here. Cardinal Gibbons and Mgr. Diomedeo Falcone were in the sanctuary.

The menu at the White House dinner included Rhode Island turkey, pumpkin pie and giant Albemarle pippins from Virginia.

FAMOUS DESPERADO CAUGHT.

Man of Many Aliases at Last in the Hands of the Law.

After an absence of one year and three months to a day, the much wanted desperado "Bill" Monroe, has been arrested and unless he has repeated former exploits and escaped from jail within the past week he is a prisoner in the county jail of Imperial county, at El Centro, Cal. This information was received in a letter by Chief of Police J. J. McCoach, Sunday from Mohley Meadows, Sheriff of Imperial county.

When Chief McCoach, of Orange county, opened the letter the first thing he saw was a photograph of Monroe and he fairly shouted for joy because for several reasons he greatly desired to see Monroe captured. One of the reasons is that the Middletown police have been the only ones able to arrest and hold Monroe and even at that Monroe escaped from the jail. Monroe cordially hates Chief McCoach and has said that he would never be arrested in Orange county again. Another reason why Chief McCoach particularly desired Monroe's arrest is because about three months ago he received a post card dated "Los Angeles, Cal." which said "Come and get me if you can. Bill Monroe."

The California Sheriff does not yet know what a notorious person he has in keeping, as will be seen by his letter, which is as follows: From Mohley Meadows, Sheriff of Imperial County, California, El Centro, Cal., Nov. 15, 1909.

Name—William Harris, alias Jas. Williams, Will Smith. Nativity: Born in U. S., Scotch-Dutch descent. Age about 24 years. Height, 5 ft. 9 1-2 inches. Weight 167 pounds. Hair light. Smooth face. Blue eyes. Light, sandy complexion. Claims to be a carpenter. Crime, grand larceny. Arrested October 28, 1909. Erect, swinging gait. Has flesh colored mole, one inch, right of nose.

General remarks—This man refuses to give any account of his past; is a desperate character, took desperate chances in attempting to escape; has had a load of buck-shot fired into the right side of his back; one shot was extracted two weeks ago. Cannot tell how long he has carried same. He told a prisoner that he had done time at Albany, N. Y.

Very respectfully,

MOBLEY MEADOWS,

Sheriff.

On the bottom of the circular is written:

"Later—He told a prisoner in jail that he was wanted in Middletown, N. Y., under the name of Wm. Monroe, Leslie Hunt or William Brown; the fellows were not quite certain which of those names he was wanted there under."

The last positive information concerning Monroe's whereabouts was contained in a dispatch from San Bernardino early last summer, which stated that Wm. Monroe, a desperado, who had been staying with a sister near San Bernardino, Cal., had been chased by a posse of police armed with shot guns. Finding his escape barred by a river, Monroe jumped in fully clothed and swam across. Instead of following, the officers emptied their guns at the fugitive. This is probably where Monroe received the load of buck-shot in his back.

On receipt of the communication from Sheriff Meadows, Chief McCoach telephoned to Sheriff Zedoc P. Boice, of Ulster county, telling him the facts, and later he mailed him the facts, and later he mailed him the photographs of Monroe which are excellent likenesses. Sheriff Boice will take steps to-day to find if the California authorities will give up Monroe or whether they will hold him for the crime of grand larceny for which he was arrested.

The career of "Bill" Monroe has been an exciting one. While he is only twenty-four years old, he has been arrested innumerable times, but with one exception has always escaped prison. He served six months in the Albany Penitentiary several years ago. In the latter part of 1906 Monroe was wanted at Newburgh for perjury, which he was alleged to have committed when testifying in an important case. Then Monroe assaulted his brother-in-law at Scotchtown and another warrant was issued for him. Constable Harry McDowell, of Newburgh, was given the warrant and went to Scotchtown and arrested Monroe. He escaped from the constable on the way.

The police all over the country then kept a lookout for Monroe and at midnight on Feb. 24, 1907, Chief of Police McCoach, Officers Faulkner and Green and Constable Kishpaugh of Circleville, went to Scotchtown and surrounding the house of a man named Bedford, captured Monroe.

The reason the Middletown police made such an effort to get Monroe at that time was because on Nov. 17, 1906, Monroe was arrested for intoxication. When the late Edward Butts, who did not know Monroe, went to the jail the next morning, Monroe was waiting for him and when the door was opened Monroe slipped out. A lively chase followed, Monroe running through Center street to North street, to Chattle street to Highland avenue and escaped to the woods.

When Monroe was arrested Feb. 24, 1907, Acting Recorder Johnson sentenced him to six months in Goshen jail, but Monroe put up such a broken-hearted plea that the sentence was reduced to three months. After serving his time Monroe disappeared for a time, but on July 10, 1907, he turned up at Scotchtown and hunted up Samuel Davis, whom he believed had informed the police

on him, and nearly killed him.

Nothing was then heard of Monroe for a year, when on August 11, 1908, he appeared at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Deyo, wealthy farmers residing near New Paltz, Ulster county.

In the house were Mr. and Mrs. Deyo and their infant child, Mrs. Jonathan Deyo, the wife of a New York lawyer, and a servant. Monroe knocked at the door and asked Abram Deyo for employment. Mr. Deyo had heard of Monroe and refused to hire him, whereat Monroe knocked him down and tried to stamp the life out of him.

Mr. Deyo's wife and sister-in-law ran to his assistance and Monroe knocked them down and gave them a terrible beating. Leaving his victims unconscious, Monroe entered the house and attacked the servant, injuring her. Then he kicked the baby out of the cradle and left the house.

While this was going on Jonathan Deyo, the New York lawyer, was at the barn watching four men pressing hay. Monroe walked out to the barn and attacked the lawyer, knocking him down, and then going into the barn he cursed the four men at work there, and pulling out a handful of matches lit them and threw them into the hay mow. Having done all the damage he could Monroe coolly walked away.

Poses were organized and Orange and Ulster counties were searched for days. Rewards aggregating \$750 were offered, but Monroe was not found. His sixteen-year-old wife was locked up in Kingston for a time in hope that this would bring the desperado back as he dearly loved her.

Sheriff Boyce of Ulster county, swore in large numbers of deputies and spent weeks hunting for the fugitive. It was found that Monroe had been hiding in the Shawangunk Mountains and trying to send messages to his wife and he was driven out of a cave and narrowly escaped capture.

Monroe's next exploit was to notify the police that he would attend the Orange County Fair and at the fair grounds it was reported that he had been present at the festivities in woman's clothing.

The Ulster and Orange county authorities then got close to the desperado and chased him to Campgaw, near Paterson, N. J. Here he was surrounded in a swamp and shot at a number of times. He escaped but left a trail of blood behind him.

Next he was located at Greenwood Lake. Here his wounds were dressed by a physician who did not know him. A few days later it was reported that a dead body was found near Branchville, N. J., and in the pockets of the coat a message for Mrs. Katie Monroe was signed by "Bill" Monroe, saying that he was dying.

The body was not identified as that of Monroe and nothing more was heard from the desperado until three months ago when Chief of Police McCoach received a post card from him saying, "I am in California, come and get me." The police of San Bernardino were asked to arrest Monroe and went after him armed with shot guns but he escaped.

Monroe had been staying with a sister near San Bernardino, where he was known as William Harris. Other aliases he had gone under were James Williams, William Smith, Leslie Hunt and William Brown, all being names of near relatives of his.

It is understood that at the time of the outrage at the Deyo farm, Ulster county offered \$300 reward, the Board of Fire Underwriters \$250 reward, and the Deyo family \$200 reward for the capture of Monroe. The two latter rewards expired, however, in one year, which ended Sept. 9th last. Therefore at the present time there is only \$300 reward for the capture of Monroe.

FLOODS IN NORTHWEST.

Rain and Wind Storms Tie Up Railways and Damage Property.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 25.—The storm that has prevailed in the Pacific northwest for two days shows no signs of abating.

The passengers of three Great Northern trains are marooned between the Cascade tunnel and Tongue.

In eastern Oregon and eastern Washington the rain is of secondary importance to a windstorm. The schooner Mary Winkleman is stranded near Port Townsend. In Umatilla county the windstorm unroofed several buildings. At Atheneo the end of a large warehouse was blown in front of a passenger train. The train was traveling slowly and stopped before the obstruction was reached.

In northeastern Washington the Macksack river has begun to rise again. The ranches on the lowlands are flooded. The railroads have lost a number of bridges.

Along lower Puget sound the streams are out of their banks and flooding the lowlands and destroying bridges and railroad tracks.

Along the Columbia river landslides have put the railroads out of business. In the Willamette valley all the rivers are torrents. At Oregon City the water is sixty-three feet above low water mark.

At Portland the water is over the lower docks and still rising. The southern Pacific main line is tied up at Sardin creek by a washout of both approaches to the bridge.

In the Gray's Harbor country the greatest loss has been to log owners, one lost raft alone being valued at \$200,000. The logs were swept out to

TAFT CONFERENCE

President Urges Changes in Interstate Law.

MORE POWER TO COMMISSION

He Would Have Railroads Barred From Acquiring Stock in Competing Lines or Issuing Stock Without Permission.

Washington, Nov. 25.—A conference between President Taft and several of his chief advisers on matters relating to the interstate commerce law was held at the White House. Attorney General Wickersham, Representative Mann of Illinois, chairman of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce; Chairman Knapp of the interstate commerce commission and Commissioner Lane were present.

They talked with the president for nearly three hours, and many of the more important proposed changes to the interstate commerce act were brought up.

The president showed that he was determined to strengthen the law so that there would be less delay in litigation over orders of the interstate commerce commission. This can be done, he believed, by the creation of an interstate commerce court with five members, to which would go petitions referring to the commission's orders. He thought also that a limit of sixty days should be placed to the order of any judge staying the execution of such orders and that thereafter no injunction be issued unless by the entire court. Appeals, the president thought, should be to the supreme court alone.

Mr. Taft would give to the commission the right to hear complaints against unjust classification of merchandise for transportation and would have the commission authorized to institute complaints of its own, with the additional power of being permitted to postpone the date on which new rate classifications should take effect.

The president proposed also to modify the law so that the commission could suspend or modify or annul any rules or regulations which impose undue burdens on shippers. He would have any railroad barred from acquiring any stock in any competing line and would have those carriers which now hold such stock dispose of it within a stated time. The issuance of stock, bonds or other obligations by railroad companies he would make subject to the approval of the commission. Much of the discussion had to do with the question raised as to the constitutionality of such a statute.

Mr. Taft also proposed as a concession to the railroads that they be permitted to agree on tariff rates provided the agreements were approved by the commission.

One important suggestion was that it be made a misdemeanor punishable by fine and imprisonment for a shipper to make any fictitious or excessive claim for damages against any railroad. It was asserted that this is practiced to some extent now and that it results in obtaining of rebates. Another suggestion was that it be made a misdemeanor for a carrier to refuse to furnish rates in writing when requested or a misdemeanor if a wrong rate was furnished. Still another suggestion was that it be made possible for a shipper to route freight as he may desire.

TROOPS TO QUELL STRIKERS.

Indiana Guardsmen Ordered to Be Ready to Stop Disturbances.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 25.—Governor Marshall has received a request from Sheriff Fox and court officials for a company of militia to preserve order at Bedford, where there is a strike among the stone workers.

The authorities there represent that they are unable to prevent rioting. Sheriff Fox could find only seven men in Bedford on whom he could depend as deputies owing to the great number of strike sympathizers. He was told by the governor to send to the country for men and press them into service if the men of Bedford would not respond.

The governor called on Adjutant General Oran Perry, who ordered Company H of Bloomington to stand ready for a call to Bedford.

CHALLENGES BOSTON VANDYCK

Writer in London Times Quotes Bode as Saying It's a Mere Replica.

London, Nov. 25.—A correspondent writes to the Times challenging the authenticity of the Vandyck portrait of Charles II. and his family which is being exhibited at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

The writer quotes Dr. Bode, curator of the Kaiser Friedrich museum at Berlin, as saying it is one of the replicas done in Vandyck's studio of the original, now in Windsor castle, partly painted by Vandyck.

PAULHAN AT \$20,000 A MONTH

Aviator is Coming Here to Fly at a High Level Salary.

Paris, Nov. 25.—Paulhan, the aviator, has agreed to go to America for six months to make flights at various places for a salary of \$20,000 monthly plus his expenses.

He will take two assistants and begin his flights in California in January.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE HONESDALE NATIONAL BANK

AT HONESDALE, WAYNE COUNTY, PA.

At the close of business, Nov. 16, 1909.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	209,928 01
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	50 92
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	65,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	2,900 00
Bonds, securities, etc.	1,283,286 45
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures	40,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	4,503 00
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks	51 88
Due from approved reserve agents	139,606 44
Checks and other cash items	2,669 34
Notes of other National Banks	335 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	250 84
Legal Money Reserve in Bank	
U. S. Bonds	886,337 00
Legal tender notes	5,697 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, (5 per cent. of circulation)	61,944 00
Due from U. S. Treasurer, other than 5 per cent. redemption fund	2,750 00
Total	\$1,832,897 93

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in	150,000 00
Surplus fund	150,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	83,250 52
National Bank notes outstanding	54,400 00
State Bank notes outstanding	900 00
Due to other National Banks	685 29
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	967 56
Individual deposits subject to subject to check	1,466,568 14
Demand certificates of deposit	26,017 00
Certificates of deposit	69 53
Cashier's checks outstanding	148 72-1,492,703 39
Bonds borrowed	None
Notes and bills rediscounted	None
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	None
Liabilities other than those above stated	None
Total	\$1,832,897 93

State of Pennsylvania, County of Wayne, ss. J. E. F. TORREY, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of Nov. 1909.

W. H. STONE, N. P.

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H. Z. RUSSELL,
E. H. HARDENBERGH,
J. C. BIRDALL, Directors.



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